MINUTES
Board of Trustees Meeting
Monday, July 28, 2025
2:00 PM
Samueli Academy
1901 N. Fairview St.
Santa Ana, CA 92706

ROLL CALL

Board of Trustees Present:
Chris Scheithauer
Richard Arum
Sandi Jackson
Susan Samueli
Robert Santana

Academy/Orangewood Staff Present:
Anthony Saba
Tracy Garcia
Lee Fleming

Board of Trustees Absent:
Liz Dorn-Parker

Guests Present:
None

CALL TO ORDER

Chris Scheithauer called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. and welcomed all attendees to the July 28, 2025, special meeting of the Samueli Academy Board of Trustees. At the beginning of the meeting and before agenda items that were subject to approval, anyone from the public might address the board for three minutes.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

COMMITTEE REPORTS

ACADEMIC

2025-2026 Parent / Student Handbook

Richard Arum presented the 2025-2026 Parent/Student handbook. The notable changes include the No "D" Policy and the elimination of the A+ model.

Lee Fleming presented slides and explained the rubric-based grading system. Lee Fleming provided background and details on the revised grading procedure and scale.

The Board Members were able to ask clarifying questions of Lee Fleming to better understand the grading system.

Robert Santana made a motion to approve the 2025-2026 Student/Parent Handbook as presented. Richard Arum seconded the motion and the motion carried with a vote of: 4 – Ayes (Arum, Samueli, Jackson, and Santana) and 1 – Nay (Scheithauer).

OTHER BUSINESS — None

ADJOURNMENT — The meeting was adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

RICHARD ARUM, SECRETARY